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Joanna Derksen Bare to Be CSR's New Executive Officer

Joanna Derksen Bare has been named the new Executive Officer at the Center for Scientific Review (CSR), which receives and reviews grant applications submitted to the National Institutes of Health (NIH).



Bare will lead the efforts of staff and contractors who provide administrative, financial management, committee management, procurement and management analysis services that enable CSR to fulfill its mission. Each year, the center receives over 80,000 grant applications, engages more than 17,000 reviewers from the scientific community, and hosts about 1,500 electronic and face-to-face review meetings

"Joanna brings to CSR an incredible set of people and management skills," said Dr. Richard Nakamura CSR Director. "She is known for building and leading successful teams at NIH that excel in challenging times. She also has a unique scientific and engineering background, which will help her better understand and work in a scientific organization."

Bare holds master's degrees in industrial engineering and physics from the University of Washington in Seattle and a B.A. degree in physics from Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota.

She comes to CSR from the NIH Office of Research Facilities, Division of Facilities, Operations, and Maintenance, where she was Deputy Director and, earlier, Chief of its Project Control Office. Prior to this, Bare worked at Management Analysis, Inc., in Vienna, Virginia, where over the course of 12 years, she rose from being an industrial engineer to being a project manager and corporate secretary.

About CSR

CSR organizes the peer review groups that evaluate the majority of grant applications submitted to NIH. These groups include experienced and respected researchers from across the country and abroad. Since 1946, CSR's mission has been to see that NIH grant applications receive fair, independent, expert, and timely reviews — free from inappropriate influences — so NIH can fund the most promising research. CSR also receives all incoming applications and assigns them to the NIH institutes and centers that fund grants. For more information, go to CSR's Web site—<http://www.csr.nih.gov>—or phone 301-435-1111.

About the National Institutes of Health (NIH)

NIH, the nation's medical research agency, includes 27 Institutes and Centers and is a component of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. NIH is the primary federal agency conducting and supporting basic, clinical, and translational medical research,

and is investigating the causes, treatments, and cures for both common and rare diseases. For more information about NIH and its programs, visit www.nih.gov.